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NOTE

Classification of sections marked * is still in progress. Classification of sections inclosed in brackets [ ] has not yet been begun. For classes without these distinguishing marks detailed schemes have been printed except in the case of P–PM, PQ and PT, which are still in manuscript.

In indicating the location of classes North, South, or Southeast, followed by a number, refers to the corresponding decks in the North, South, and Southeast stacks.

A

GENERAL WORKS—POLYGRAPHY

Class		Location
AC	Collections. Series. Collected works	Southeast 35 and Reading room alcoves 2–3
AE	Encyclopedias	
AG	General reference works (other than encyclopedias)	
AI	Indexes	
AM	Museums	Smithsonian
	200–275. Collectors, and collecting. Private cabinets	
[AN]	Newspapers	
AP	Periodicals	South 15
AS	Societies. Academies	Smithsonian
AY	Yearbooks. Almanacs	Southeast 35
AZ	General history of knowledge and learning	Southeast 35

B

PHILOSOPHY—RELIGION

Class		Location
	Philosophy	Southeast 31
B	Collections. History. Systems	
BC	Logic	
BD	Metaphysics	
	10– 41 Introductions to philosophy	
	100–131 General works	
	150–241 Epistemology. Theory of knowledge	
	300–444 Ontology	
	493–708 Cosmology. Teleology	
BF	Psychology	
	1001–1999 Metapsychology. Psychic research. Occult sciences	
BH	Esthetics	
BJ	Ethics	
	Religion. Theology	Southeast 31
*BL	Religions. Mythology	
*BM	Judaism	
*BP	Mohammedanism, Bahaism, Theosophy	
	Christianity	
*BR	Generalities. Church history	
*BS	Bible and Exegesis	
*BT	Doctrinal theology. Apologetics	
*BV	Practical theology. Missions	
*BX	Special sects	South 14

C

HISTORY—AUXILIARY SCIENCES

Class		Location
CB	History of civilization *cf.* AZ, GT (General and general special only. Special countries in DA–DU, E, F)	North 9
CC	Antiquities. General	
CD	Archives. Diplomatics *cf.* Palaeography, Z 105–115 5001–6471 Sphragistics. Sigillography	
CE	Chronology	
CJ	Numismatics	
[CN]	Epigraphy. Inscriptions	
CR	Heraldry	
CS	Genealogy	
CT	Biography	South 14

N. B. Biography, collective and individual, illustrative of any subject provided for in B-Z, is classified with that subject, as far as practicable.

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D

HISTORY and TOPOGRAPHY (except America)

Class		Location
D	General history	D–DC North 8
DA	Great Britain	
	20–690 England	
	700–745 Wales	
	750–890 Scotland	
	900–995 Ireland	
DB	Austria-Hungary	
DC	France	
DD	Germany	DD–DX North 6
DE	Classical antiquity	
DF	Greece	
DG	Italy	
DH–DJ	Netherlands	
	DH 1–399 Belgium and Holland	
	DH 401–811 Belgium	
	DH 901–925 Luxemburg (grand duchy)	
	DJ Holland	
DK	Russia	
	1–400 Russia. General	
	401–439 Poland	
	451–465 Finland	
	750–999 Russia in Asia	
DL	Scandinavia	
	1– 81 Scandinavia. General	
	101–291 Denmark	
	301–398 Iceland	
	401–596 Norway	
	601–991 Sweden	
DP	Spain and Portugal	
	1–402 Spain	
	500–802 Portugal	
DQ	Switzerland	
DR	Turkey and the Balkan States	
DS	Asia	
DT	Africa	
DU	Australia and Oceania	
DX	Gipsies	

E–F

AMERICA

Class			Location
E		America (General) and United States (General)	North 7
	11–143	America (General)	
	31– 50	North America (General)	
	51– 99	Indians of North America	
	101–135	Discovery of America	
	151–770	United States	
	151–185	General history and description	
	185	Negroes in the United States	
	186–200	Colonial period	
	201–298	Revolution	
	351–364	War of 1812	
	401–415	War with Mexico	
	441–453	Slavery	
	458–655	Civil War	
	482–489	Confederate States	
	714–735	War with Spain	
		European War, see D 501–659	
F		United States (Local) and America except the United States	North 7 and 9
	1– 970	United States (Local)	
	1001–1170	British America	
	1201–3899	Latin America	
	1601–2151	West Indies	

G

GEOGRAPHY—ANTHROPOLOGY

Class		Location
G	Geography, voyages, travel (General)	North 7 and 9
	Atlases	Map Division
GA	Mathematical and astronomical geography	Map Division
GB	Physical geography	GB–GR North 9
GC	Oceanology and oceanography	
	Biogeography. *See* QH–QL	
GF	Anthropogeography	
GN	Anthropology. Somatology. Ethnology. Ethnography (General). Prehistoric archeology	
GR	Folklore	
GT	Manners and customs (General)	
GV	Sports and amusements. Games	

H

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Class		Location
H	Social sciences. General	North 5
HA	Statistics	South 14

ECONOMICS

HB	Economic theory	North 5
HC	Economic history and conditions. National production. (By countries)	North 5
HD	Economic history. Agriculture and industries	North 5
	101–2206 Land. Agriculture	
	2321–4730 Industry, Corporations, Cooperation	
	4801–8950 Labor	
	9000–9999 Special industries	
HE	Transportation and communication	North 5
HF	Commerce, including Tariff	North 5 and 4
HG	Finance	North 4
	201–1490 Money	
	1501–3540 Banking	
	3701–7933 Credit, Exchange, Investments, etc.	
	8011–9970 Insurance	
HJ	Public finance	North 4

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H

SOCIOLOGY

Class		Location
HM	Sociology. General and theoretical	North 4
HN	Social history. Social reform	North 4
	Social groups	North 4 and 3
HQ	Family. Marriage. Woman	
HS	Associations: Secret societies, clubs, etc.	
HT	Communities. Classes. Races	
HV	Social pathology. Philanthropy Charities and corrections	
HX	Socialism. Communism. Anarchism. Bolshevism	

J

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Class		Location
J	Documents	
	1–9 Official gazettes	Southeast 32
	General serial documents not classified by subject	
	10– 99 United States	Gallery and East stack
	100–981 Foreign	Gallery and East stack
JA	General works	North 3
JC	Theory of the State	North 3
	CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY AND ADMINISTRATION	
JF	General	North 3
JK	United States	North 3
JL	British America. Latin America	North 3
JN	Europe	North 3
JQ	Asia, Africa, Australia, and Pacific Islands	North 3
JS	Local government	North 3
JV	Colonies and colonization. Emigration and immigration	North 3
JX	International law	North 3
	6001– Private international law	North 3

K

LAW

Class	Location
[K]	Capitol and North curtain, 2d floor

L

EDUCATION

Class		Location
L	General works; form divisions	Southeast 35
LA	History of education	
LB	Theory and practice of education. Educational psychology. Teaching	
LC	Special forms, relations and applications	
	Universities and colleges	
LD	United States	
LE	Other American	
LF	Europe	
LG	Asia, Africa, Oceania	
LH	University, college, and school magazines, etc.	
LJ	College fraternities and their publications	
LT	Textbooks	

N. B.—Only textbooks covering several subjects are classified here. Textbooks of particular subjects are classified with those subjects in B-Z.

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M

MUSIC

Class		Location
M	Music	Music Division
ML	Literature of music	Music Division
MT	Musical instruction	Music Division

N

FINE ARTS

Class		Location
N	General	Print Division and Southeast 30
NA	Architecture	
NB	Sculpture and related arts	
NC	Graphic arts in general. Drawing and design	
ND	Painting	
NE	Engraving	
NK	Art applied to industry. Decoration and Ornament	
	Photography. *See* TR	

P

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE.

Class			Location
P	Philology and linguistics		South 17
PA	Greek and Latin philology and literature		
	1–1161	Greek language (Ancient, Medieval, and Modern)	
	2001–2960	Latin language (Ancient, Medieval, and Modern)	
	3000–5868	Greek literature (Ancient, Medieval, and Modern)	
	6000–	Latin literature (Ancient, Medieval, and Modern)	
		MODERN EUROPEAN LANGUAGES	
PB	1– 500	General works	
PB	1000–3029	Celtic languages and literature	
	1200–1449	Irish	
	1500–1709	Gaelic (Scotch)	
	2101–2450	Welsh (Cymric)	
	2800–2931	Breton	
	3001–3029	Gallic	
	Romance languages		
PC	1– 500	General works	
	1001–1977	Italian	
	2001–3761	French	
	4001–4977	Spanish	
	5001–5491	Portuguese	
	Germanic (Teutonic) languages		
PD	1–1000	General works	
PD	1501–5929	Scandinavian	
PE	1–3729	English	
PF	1– 979	Dutch	
PF	3001–5999	German	

P

MODERN EUROPEAN LANGUAGES

Class			Location
PG	Slavic. Lithuanian-Lettish. Albanian.		South 17
	1–7498	Slavic languages and literature	
	1– 500	General works	
	601–1198	Church Slavic and Bulgarian	
	1201–1798	Serbo-Croatian	
	1801–1998	Slovenian	
	2001–3999	Russian. Ruthenian	
	4001–5199	Bohemian	
	5201–5599	Slovak	
	6001–7498	Polish	
	8001–9198	Lithuanian-Lettish languages and literature	
	9500–9599	Albanian language and literature	
PH	Finno-Ugrian and Basque languages and literature		
	101– 498	Finnish	
	701– 729	Lappish	
	2001–3698	Hungarian	
	5001–5399	Basque	
	ORIENTAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE		
PJ	1– 456	General works	
PJ	701– 956	Mohammedan (Arabic, Persian, Turkish, etc.)	
PJ	1001–2591	Egyptian. Hamitic	
PJ	3001–9250	Semitic	
PK	1–7001	Indo-Iranian. Indo-Aryan. Iranian	
PK	8001–8958	Armenian	
PK	9001–9500	Caucasian	
PL	Languages and literature of Eastern Asia, Oceania, Africa		
	HYPERBOREAN, AMERICAN, AND ARTIFICIAL LANGUAGES		
PM	101–7356	American (Indian) languages	
PM	8001–9021	Artificial languages	

P

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

LITERARY HISTORY. LITERATURE

Class		Location
PN	General	
PQ	Romance literatures	
	1–3981 French	South 17
	4001–5991 Italian	South 18
	6001–9951 Spanish and Portuguese	South 18
PR	English literature	South 16
PS	American literature	Southeast 33
PT	Teutonic literatures	South 14
	1–4899 German	
	5001–6471 Dutch and Flemish	
	7001–9999 Scandinavian	
	Slavic. *See* PG.	
	Oriental. *See* PJ–PM	
PZ	Fiction and Juvenile Literature	South 16
	1– 3 Fiction in English	
	4–90 Juvenile literature	

Q

SCIENCE

Class		Location
Q	Science. General	Southeast 34 Periodicals in Smithsonian
QA	Mathematics	
	801–999 Analytic mechanics	
QB	Astronomy	
	281–349 Geodesy	
QC	Physics	
	81–119 Weights and measures	
	801–999 Terrestrial magnetism and meteorology	
QD	Chemistry	
	901–999 Crystallography	
QE	Geology	
	cf. GB,GC	
	351–499 Mineralogy and petrology	
	701–999 Paleontology	
QH	Natural history	
	201–299 Microscopy	
	301–999 General biology	
QK	Botany	
QL	Zoology	
	801–999 General anatomy and embryology	
QM	Human anatomy	
QP	Physiology	
QR	Bacteriology	

R

MEDICINE

Class		Location
R	Medicine. General	South 11
RA	State medicine. Documents Public Health. Medical climatology Hospitals. Jurisprudence	
RB	Pathology	
RC	Practice of medicine	
RD	Surgery	
RE	Ophthalmology	
RF	Otology. Rhinology. Laryngology	
RG	Gynecology and obstetrics	
RJ	Pediatrics	
RK	Dentistry	
RL	Dermatology	
RM	Therapeutics	
RS	Pharmacy and materia medica	
RT	Nursing	
RV	Botanic, Thomsonian, and Eclectic medicine	
RX	Homeopathy	
RZ	Miscellaneous schools and arts	

S

AGRICULTURE—PLANT AND ANIMAL INDUSTRY

Class		Location
S	General agriculture, soils, fertilizers, farm implements, etc.	South 13
SB	General plant culture, including field crops. Horticulture Landscape gardening and parks. Pests and diseases	
SD	Forestry	
SF	Animal culture. Veterinary medicine	
SH	Fish culture and fisheries. Angling	
SK	Hunting. Game protection	

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T

TECHNOLOGY

Class		Location
T	Technology. General	South 12
	ENGINEERING AND BUILDING GROUP	
TA	Engineering—General. Civil engineering	
TC	Hydraulic engineering (harbors, rivers, canals)	
TD	Sanitary and municipal engineering	
TE	Roads and pavements	
TF	Railroads	
TG	Bridges and roofs	
TH	Building construction	
	9111–9600. Fire prevention, Fire extinction	
	MECHANICAL GROUP	
TJ	Mechanical engineering	
TK	Electrical engineering and industries	
TL	Motor vehicles. Cycles. Aeronautics	
	CHEMICAL GROUP	
TN	Mineral industries. Mining and Metallurgy	
TP	Chemical technology	South 11 and 12
TR	Photography	South 11
	COMPOSITE GROUP	
TS	Manufactures	South 11
TT	Trades	
TX	Domestic science	

U

MILITARY SCIENCE

Class		Location
U	Military Science. General	South 13
UA	Armies. Organization and distribution	
UB	Administration	
UC	Maintenance and transportation	
UD	Infantry	
UE	Cavalry	
UF	Artillery	
UG	Military engineering	
UH	Other services	
	201–655 Medical and sanitary service	

V

NAVAL SCIENCE

V	Naval science. General	South 13
VA	Navies. Organization and distribution	
VB	Naval administration	
VC	Naval maintenance	
VD	Naval seamen	
VE	Marines	
VF	Naval ordnance	
VG	Other services of navies	
	100–475 Medical and sanitary service	
VK	Navigation	
VM	Shipbuilding and marine engineering	

Z

BIBLIOGRAPHY and LIBRARY SCIENCE

Class		Location
Z		Southeast 33
4	History of books and bookmaking	
40– 115	Writing	
116– 550	Book industries and trade	
551– 657	Copyright	
665– 997	Libraries and library science	
999–1000	Book prices	
1001–9000	Bibliography	

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